

**RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER  
PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING**

**STATE COUNCIL ON THE ARTS**

**Title of Rule:** Rules and Regulations for Cultural Facilities Grant Program (665-RICR-20-00-1)

**Rule Identifier:** 665-RICR-20-00-1

**Rulemaking Action:** Proposed Amendment

**Important Dates:**

Date of Public Notice: 07/06/2021

Hearing Date: 07/22/2021

End of Public Comment: 08/05/2021

**Authority for this Rulemaking:**

R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-75-2

**Summary of Rulemaking Action:**

This Technical Revision is being promulgated to reformat the rule into the RICR format for the Rhode Island Code of Regulations. There are no substantive changes.

**Additional Information and Comments:**

All interested parties are invited to request additional information or submit written or oral comments concerning the proposed amendment until August 5, 2021 by contacting the appropriate party at the address listed below:

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**Public Hearing:**

A public hearing, in accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.8, to consider the proposed amendment shall be held on July 22, 2021 at 10:00 am at Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84750093062>, Pawtucket, RI 02861 at which time and place all persons interested therein will be heard. The seating capacity of the room will be enforced and therefore the number of persons participating in the hearing may be limited at any given time by the hearing officer, in order to comply with safety and fire codes.

The place of the public hearing is accessible to individuals who are handicapped. If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captioners) is needed, or any other

accommodation to ensure equal participation, please call 401-366-4930 or RI Relay 711 at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting so arrangements can be made to provide such assistance at no cost to the person requesting.

**Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:**

The arts contribute more than \$2 billion per year to the Rhode Island economy. Many arts organizations operate in old and difficult to maintain buildings, and the funds necessary to operate in these structures reduce the amount and scope of programming in our state. Grants for capital improvements through this program help to expand community-based programs, which contribute to the Rhode Island economy.

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation see agency contact person above.